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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 1663**

**The Network Rail (Suffolk Level  
Crossing Reduction) Order 2020**

**PART 3**

**ACQUISITION AND POSSESSION OF LAND**

*Powers of acquisition*

**Application of the 1981 Act**

- 20.**—(1) The 1981 Act applies as if this Order were a compulsory purchase order.
- (2) The 1981 Act, as so applied by paragraph (1), has effect with the following modifications.
- (3) In section 5 (earliest date for execution of declaration), in subsection (2), omit the words from “, and this subsection” to the end.
- (4) Omit section 5A(1) (time limit for general vesting declaration).
- (5) In section 5B(2) (extension of time limit during challenge) for “section 23 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (application to High Court in respect of compulsory purchase order), the three year period mentioned in section 5A” substitute “section 22 of the Transport and Works Act 1992 (validity of orders under section 1 or 3), the five year period mentioned in article 26 (time limit for exercise of powers of acquisition) of the Network Rail (Suffolk Level Crossing Reduction) Order 2020”.
- (6) In section 6(3) (notices after execution of declaration), in subsection (1)(b), for “section 15 of, or paragraph 6 of Schedule 1 to the Acquisition of Land Act 1981” substitute “section 14A of the Transport and Works Act 1992”.
- (7) In section 7(4) (constructive notice to treat), in subsection (1)(a), omit “(as modified by section 4 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981)”.
- (8) In Schedule A1(5) (counter-notice requiring purchase of land not in general vesting declaration), omit paragraph 1(2).
- (9) References to the 1965 Act are construed as references to that Act as applied to the acquisition of any interests in land by article 19 (application of Part 1 of the 1965 Act).

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(1) Section 5A was inserted by section 182(2) of the Housing and Planning Act 2016.  
(2) Section 5B was inserted by section 202(2) of the Housing and Planning Act 2016.  
(3) section 6 was amended by paragraph 52(2) of Schedule 2 to the Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 (c. 11) and paragraph 7 of Schedule 15 to the Housing and Planning Act 2016.  
(4) Section 7 was amended by paragraph 3 of Schedule 18 to the Housing and Planning Act 2016.  
(5) Schedule A1 was inserted by paragraph 6 of Schedule 18 to the Housing and Planning Act 2016.